GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3508
ANSWERED ON:11.12.2001
TRIBAL LITERACY RATE
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of Tribal Male-Female literacy State-wise and district-wise as per Census 2001;

(b) the number and percentage of literacy of Tribal children in the age group of 6 to 14, State-wise and district-wise;

(c) percentage of tribal students drop out in the age group of 6 to 14, State-wise and district-wise;

(d) whether the Government have planned any tribal specific programme to ensure hundred percentage enrolment and zero drop out of the tribal children of above age group; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the time frame for achievements of the target?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) & (b) Literacy rates of Tribal population as per census 2001 has not been released by the Registrar General and Census Commissioner, India.

(c) The gross drop out rates of tribal students in the classes I to VIII is available state- wise only,which is annexed (for the year 1999-2000).

(d) There is no specific scheme for tribals. However, the Government of India has launched Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan(SSA) inthe year 2000-2001 which has a special focus for hard to reach groups including tribals. The Sarva Shiksha Abhiyanis a holistic and convergent approach to implement Universalization of Elementary Education ina mission mode with a district focus. SSA is to provide useful and relevant Elementary Education for all children in the 6-14 age group by 2010. The Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan will cover the entire country with a special focus on educational needs of girls, Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and other children in difficult circumstances.

The following provisions have been made for the education of girls and SC/ST children:

(i) School/EGS like alternative facility to be set up within one kilometer of all habitations.

(ii) Up-gradation of EGS to regular schools.

(iii) Special mainstreaming camps for out-of-school girls/SC/ST children under the Alternative and Innovative Education component.

(iv) Provision of process-based community participation with a focus on the participation of women and SC/ST.

(v) Provision of context specific innovative intervention for girls' education and education of SC/ST children upto Rs.15lakhs per intervention per year and up to Rs.50 lakhs in a district in a particular year. The innovative programmes can include:

- Enrolment and retention drives.
- Special camps and bridge courses.
- Setting up special models of Alternative Schools.
- Community mobilisation including setting up new working groups and working with existing working groups.
- Monitoring attendance.
- Remedial/Coaching classes.
- Providing a congenial learning environment inside and outside the school.

(vi) Training programme for community leaders to develop capacities for school management.

(vii) Free textbooks to all girls/SC/ST children up to Class-VIII.

(viii) Mid-day-meal programme to continue as at present.

(ix) Adequate Teaching Learning Equipment for all Primary and Upper Primary schools.

(e) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) provides Elementary Education for all children in the age group of 6-14 by 2010. The goals are as follows:

- All children in school, Education Guarantee Scheme center, Alternate school, 'Back-to-School' camp by 2003.
- All children complete five-year primary schooling by 2007.
- All children complete eight years of schooling by 2010.
- Focus on elementary education of satisfactory quality with emphasis on education for life;
- Bridge all gender and social category gaps at primary stage by 2007 and at elementary education level by 2010.
- Universal retention by 2010.

Annexure

STATEMENT OF GROSS DROPOUT RATES OF TRIBAL STUDENTS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3508 FOR 11.12.2001 ASKED BY SHRI TRILOCHAN KANUNGO REGARDING TRIB LITERACY RATE

Sl. No.	STATE/ UTs	1999-2000
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	83.09
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	68.74
3	ASSAM	73.29
4	BIHAR	80.68
5	GOA	
6	GUJARAT	68.01
7	HARYANA	
8	HIMACHAL PRADESH	46.48
9	JAMMU & KASHMIR	NA
10	KARNATAKA	56.04
11	KERALA	29.63
12	MADHYA PRADESH	68.06
13	MAHARASHTRA	65.33
14	MANIPUR	64.93
15	MEGHALAYA	77.97
16	MIZORAM	66.09
17	NAGALAND	42.40
18	ORISSA	62.81
19	PUNJAB	
20	RAJASTHAN	56.32
21	SIKKIM	70.33
22	TAMILNADU	59.51
23	TRIPURA	81.64
24	UTTARPRADESH	43.40
25	WEST BENGAL	71.54
26	ANDMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	39.69
27	CHANDIGARH	
28	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	63.18
29	DAMAN & DIU	21.61
30	DELHI	
31	LAKSHADWEEP	23.11
32	PONDICHERRY	
INDIA		68.85

Note: There are no Scheduled Tribe Students in the States of Goa, Haryana, Punjab, Chandigarh, Delhi and Pondicherry. Data is not available for the State of Jammu & Kashmir.